The form of the skirt depends largely

finished merely by heavy stitching above

the hem, is naturally selected by the best

tailors, while for the shorter coats, some

of the many plaited effects is chosen.

sporting events.

Athletic Girl's Costumes Trim and Practical.

As Important a Part as Ever of the Summer Wardrobe.

The Fair Weather Costumes and the Rough and Ready Gowns-Leather Trimmings Legion This Year-The Tweeds, Homespuns and Serges-Some Exceedingly Sunty Bolero Costumes- Vachting Bowns-Two Piece Outing Frocks Liked for Some Purposes -The Tallored Shirt Waist in Partial Eclipse, but Brought Out in Novel Forms -Fetching Riding Habits of Tub Materials-Accordion Platting Liked.

One hears a good deal concerning the decline and fall of the athletic girl's empire and the rise of the fluttering feminine, but, as a matter of fact, athletics plays as important a part in the summer giri's program as ever.

Outdoor sports have become a matter of course rather than a fad-there's the difference. They are taken for granted, assume their correct proportions, and their devotees are not the extremists, the class apart, that they were at first.

Weather beaten face and throat and arms are not the rage they once were and masculinity of attire has had its day, even for the girl who goes in for sports. Practical and appropriate clothing she does wear for outdoor games, &c., but she does not fly aggressively in the face of feminine traditions, and when she's not in outing



THE NORPOLK SPORTING SUIT

attire, she looks as much like a Watteau figure, in tip tilted hat, fluttering lace and ribbons and high heeled shoes as nature and her dress allowance will permit.

All of which doesn't mean that trig severity is not in order for certain outing costumes on the contrary, there are delightfully simple and comfortable costumes, well ailored but devoid of elaboration, which lend themselves most appropriately to rough outdoor wear.

The half length, semi-fitting coat and plain gored skirt with decided flare, a cost of modified reefer persuasion, with a gor d circular or plaited skirt and a jaunty box coat with one of the skirts alreadymentioned are the three models most in vogue among these severely tailored suits. There are innumerable forms of the bolero represented among the outing suits, but, though quite admissible, they are not really so smart for hard service as the coats of which we have spoken, provided these latter are irreproachably tailored.

Serge, cheviot and homespun are, as usual, the materials most often chosen for these practical sporting costumes. though some of the heavier suitings in shepherd's plaid or broken check have



OF WHITE SERGE.

a considerable vogue for this purpose Panama and mohair, both favorites for walking frocks, have not half the merit of the serges, cheviots and homespuns for really rough wear.

Jaunty fair weather costumes of these materials, of pongee, of voile, of linen, &c. are offered in most attractive form, and the more of these the summer girl possesses the greater her satisfaction, but for mountain tramping, dubious weather sailing or golf, &c., she should have one serviceable suit of serge or homespun, warranted to survive stormy weather or reckless expeditions with some degree of respecta- prefers.

The Norfolk jacket is not so generally liked for these serviceable outing costumes as it once was, though it still has a place, and in England is almost inevitably the coat chosen for hunting and fishing the gold buttons to the pearl. Duil blue wear-for what our English cousins call moor costumes. A shooting coat more popular on this side of the water is made more after the fashion of the man's leather shooting coat-loose, simight, coming down well over the furnished with many ample po

FOR OUTDOOR GAMES have in their sporting outfits coats of leather more of less after this model, and intended not merely for motor wear, but for use in any rough weather outing expedition.

As for the leather trimmings, they are and mountain wear, but for ordinary outlegion this year, and pipings, collars, cuffs, door use nothing is more durable, more gored, or one of the rippling circular models pockets, straps, yokes, buttons, &c., of leather are favorite devices of the fash-ionable tailor. The remarkable color range MAY EVEN BE TAILOR MADE of the dyed leathers nowadays and the suppleness of finish in the new leathers make the material more serviceable in connection with wearing apparel than ever before, and leather does undoubtedly add an appropriate touch of trimming to the heavier type of outing frock.

Plain tailored collars and cuffs of linen or piqué, detachable so that they may be readily removed and laundered, are furnished with many of the best plain tailored outing coats, and embroidered collars of



The rough mixed tweeds and home-

spuns show soil less readily than the plain

serge and are the practical sportswoman's

first choice for rough shooting, fishing

THE ACCORDION PLAITED PONGEETTENNIS FROCKS, GRAY SILK MOTOR COAT, WHITE SERGE YACHTING SUIT AND THE NEW GOLF AND RIDING BLOUSES.

of the best tailors prefer the plain stitched | than blue serge. wash collar.

On certain attractive costumes of white coats with double breasted fronts, fastening with heavy pearl buttons, adjustable collars and cuffs of coarse linen crash in



OF EMBROIDERED LINES.

collars and cuffs and furnish an attractive note of color. They button to the lining and may be worn or not, as the owner

This same model made with the dull blue collars and with plain bright gold buttons in place of the pearl buttons makes a charming yachting costume, and even for driving, golf, &c., some women prefer crash revers and cuffs are effectively used upon a dark blue serge suit made upon the lines indicated for the white serge, and though blue serge has been the favorite outing material from time immemorial no newer fav /te elbows it from women | its place.

heavy linen are also in order, though some | generally becoming and in better taste |

The serges have been greatly improved serge, made with box or semi-fitted back have bowed to the demand for supple falries, and one can buy serge possessing softness and phability never before asdull blue or red lie over the white serge | use it is well to choose a quality that while not so stiff as the old time sorge still retains a slight wiriness of finish. Some very lovely imported serges, light and soft to a surprising degree, show a narrow herringbone weave, and others have so very fine a twill and so soft and lustrous a finish that one must look twice to discover that they are really serge.



A PLAITED YACHTING FROCK.

outing costumes intended for show rather than for hard wear, and in addition to for braiding, some of the smartest tailors the coat and skirt model already noted, an infinite variety of coats, short, long. bolero, sack, redingote, &c., are shown in white serge. Some of the fancy bolero costumes are exceedingly jaunty, but the severely tailored coats from hip to threequarter length are, if well made, smarter women prefer their yachting or boating

sketched for this page, was an exception to this ruling, for the long ample, semiin some respects since the manufacturers fitting coat fell over a plaited skirt. The cut of the coat was good and a relieving note of color appeared in the small collar, cuffs and fronts where soft, dull blue cloth sociated with this material; but for hard was braided in white silk fiber braid and one is covered by closely set vertical lines embroidered in heavily raised bees of gold



and bright frown. The bee design was used only in the collar and cuff points, one bee being posed in each point. White silk braid simply applied is used

upon many of the white serge suits, and braiding either in flat or soutache braid is successfully applied to outing costumes, though, since the makers of ready made stockings have gone in enthusiastically prefer turning out strictly plain stitched outing suits and trotting suits.

Two piece outing costumes, that is, blouse and skirt costumes, are liked for some purposes, and may have a coat to match or be worn with a separate coat. Some

and more sportswomanlike for outdoor upon the length of the coat. With the long redingote or semi-fitting coat, a plain skirt

> The blowse of serge or other wool material like the skirt keeps its freshness and shape better than lingerie or silk, and charming effects are obtained in collar, scarf, &c.

A white serge costume of this type pictured here is a fairly representative model and

succeeds in being picturesque without being strikingly trimmed.

The collar and cuffs of dull light blue, trimmed in white braid and small gold but-

tons, and the fluttering scarf give a touch of coquetry to the simple frock, and an underblouse of soft white silk shows above

the turndown collar and below the elbow With the coat and skirt yachting cos tumes simple blouses of soft silk, India.

taffeta, pongee, &c., are more practical

than lingerie blouses, although linen, piqué

and the other heavier wash stuffs made

upon tailored lines are liked for the purpose

and withstand sea air and dampness fairly

The tailored shirt waist has suffered more

or less of an eclipse since the sheer lingerie

blouse attained so great a vogue, but it

still has its adherents and its uses, and for

sporting purposes it is decidedly more

appropriate and satisfactory than the

sheer blouse. One sees the latter on the

links, the tennis courts, &c., but the girl

in the trig tailored skirt looks more smartly

dressed than her sister of the dainty em-

broidered lawn blouse, and the latter gar

ment shows a distressing facility for ac-

Nothing radically new is shown in the

fact, reactionary. By way of enforcing

the contrast with the more frivolous blouse

the best shirt waist makers have gone back

to the plain shirt sleeve and shirt cuff in

The sleeve is a trifle fuller than the shirt

sleeve of the old days, and sometimes the

fulness at the bottom is laid in stitched

plaits set into the rather narrow cuff and

running up half way to the elbow, giving

somewhat the effect of the long close cuff

so prevalent among the summer's frocks.

The plain box plait front and side plaits

from the shoulders are the favorite ideas in

the tailored shirt waist, and there is little

or no blouse. Some models show original-

ity in yoke or strap effects, and the strapped

model illustrated in the large cut in con-

nection with a golf costume is a very good

One of the fashionable outfitters for

women is showing a riding blouse or shirt

which is trim and attractive, although the

merits of its gold buttons are questionable.

This shirt, made of linen, has no plaits

save the center front box plait, and this

The waist fits easily with plenty of

breadth across shoulders and bust, and

is let into the waist band without great

fulness and with no blouse. Stitched

straps corresponding with the front plait

run down from the shoulder to the flap

Flat bright gold buttons fasten the front

and the pockets and a stitched linen stock

OF WHITE PONGEE.

fulness to spoil the fit of a riding coat, and

seems out of place on a tub waist. But-

tons and buckles of pearl would be more

suitable, but the gold seems to catch the

feminine fancy.

pockets set upon each side of the front.

of heavy stitching.

place of the plaited sleeve and wristband.

quiring a limp, bedraggled aspect.

costumes made after this fashion, and for vear with them have picturesque all enveloping yachting cloaks, warm, loose and with or without hoods that may be drawn up over the cap when the wind blows hard or the air on deck is chilly.

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The tailored tub shirt waist is, of course, he only thing suitable for the neglige ummer riding costumes of skirt and wash blouse, and a mannish cravat matching the shirt is the proper accompaniment, as is a narrow belt also matching the skirt-not a crush belt. Summer riding habits or separate skirts of lightweight worsted, usually in a service able gray, though sometimes in the covert shades, and riding habits or skirts of tub materials of the heavy crash or drill varieties are enjoying greater ogue than ever before, and every modish orsewoman has them in her summer out-

The straw sailor but or continental is the I clever. tume. Loose, heavy gloves, turned back at the wrist, and boots are in order, and the riding crop has been relegated to limbo, while every horsewoman carries a riding tailored shirt waist, the tendency being, in

> In motor coats and caps there is more variety than ever before but we devoted a page to discussion of motor garb, only a few weeks ago. Silk rubber, cravenette and the rainproof tweeds, coverts, &c., are the best materials for rough motor wear and the most picturesque effects are ob- hat from the bed. "I don't see how that tained in the silk rubbers.

One particularly smart coat brought over by a Broadway importer is of light weight silk rubber in a dark blue and green tartan it everywhere all the winter." plaid. The material is so fine and light and the coloring so beautiful that the effect is that of a heavy lustrous piece of blue and green tartan silk, and the coat is dark enough to be serviceable yet by no means somber. The lines are severe and trim. and the only trimming is in heavy stitching and in the buttons covered with the plaid and set in narrow gold rims.

Fine light weight silk rubber in the fashlonable dove gray shade is liked by the French motor coat makers and the model sketched here was in this material.

Pongee, taffeta, and linen dust coats are egion and will be much used for motoring during hot weather, but are of course impractical for bad weather. A coat of light rubber or cravenette, a coat of pongee or taffeta and a good knitted sweater make up the rational outfit for country touring during the summer months, and it is difficult

to get one coat that will answer all purposes Any costume really suitable for golf will do for tennis, but a skirt that clings is not so annoying to the golfer as to the tennis player, and a longer skirt than that appro-

priate for tennis is practical for golf. The pivot sleeve introduced upon some of the best sporting blouses is ideal for tennis giving the arm absolute freedom of movement without danger of tearing out a closely fitted armhole. The pivot sleeve blouse is of course not so trim as the ordinary blouse but well cut and made in soft material it takes on graceful loose folds and a well fitted smart belt will define the waist curve

The accordion or sun plaited costume of pongee or veiling is a popular and sensible one for tennis, though, while graceful and comfortable on the courts, it will not endure much lounging about without mussing and requiring pressing. A tennis frock made for a New York debutante and reproduced here was of pongee, accordion plaited for skirt, blouse and sleeves.

The sleeves were set in in pivot lines and ended just above the elbow with a turnback cuff of embroidered open work white linen. The blouse, cut down at the throat. had a flat collar of the linen and a scarf of pongee. A crush belt of pongee bound in white linen and with a white linen buckle was to be worn with the frock, and white stockings and white tennis shoes were of course the suitable footwear.

White linen, piqué or madras frocks made with short skirt and shirt waists are always liked for tennis and golf, and in place and narrow stitched belt both fasten with of rolling up the sleeves to the elbow, after small bright gold harness buckles. The the somewhat untidy fashion long in vogue. shirt is a smart one, with no extra, awkward many women are having the sleeves of their golf and tennis waists cut off just above the the touch of gold is pretty enough, but elbow and finished with a flat turnback

Linen and piqué are utilized for outing costumes, not only of the shirt waist frock type, but also for coat and skirt costumes, cape and skirt costumes and many styles of frocks not intended for any special sport, but merely for attractive and comfortable outdoor wear. Two models shown here are desirable ones for such service as this, provided one does not want to cling to absolute simplicity and severity.

The one of white fine linen worked all over with single eyelets and bordered by heavy linen embroidery applied was simple in line, though elegant in detail, and the little cape costume of écru linen, trummed in narrow bands of écru linen embroidered in red dots, was particularly chic, the adjustment of its red scarf being especially

A DISCOURSE ON HATS. Remarks by a Late Comer at a Little

Evening Party. This was at a little evening party. Two of the guests arrived late, and when they were ushered into the hostess's bedroom there was a motley display of headgear spread out on the bed.

"Oh, I know who's here!" promptly exclaimed one, picking up a red velvet picture girl has the nerve to wear a velvet hat in June! Protably she thinks she looks picturesque in it. Besides, she has worn

"And just look at that polo turban! No woman who had any regard for decency would wear one of the things now. I gave mine to the washerwoman weeks ago. "Here's Fannie's new lace hat; not so

bad, but I don't think it is becoming to her. She never looks well in white. "I suppose Edith thinks that as long as

her hat is black people won't recognize it, and she changes the trimming on it every few months, but I know for a fact that she has had it two years.

"Here's a hat with the trimming pinned or invited of the state of the state

on instead of sewed. What do you think of that? Oh, see the special sale hat from Trimmem's. They were selling these last

week for \$10.

"Well, just look at this apology for a hat!

I consider this the limit."

"That happens to be mine," replied the

other.
"Oh, well, there's all kinds of taste."
said the first, as she took off the little cap she had borrowed from her brother. "Let's go in and meet the folks."

THE HAIR MAKES THE HAT FIT. Added Importance Given to the Coffure by This Season's Millinery.

There never was a time when the hair was more important to a woman's dress than it is to-day. Her hat is incomplete without it. The little bits of chip that are turned

up on one side and down on the other and then up and down all over again in front would perch like saucers on the heads of most women but for the obliging coiffure which is this summer designed to fill out any gaps that there may be in the contour of the head. "I'm certain it will be becoming to you."

a saleswoman said the other day to a customer, "if you'll only let me arrange the hair as it should be worn with these hats

It is not too small, and I will show you how well it looks."

Then she pulled out the hair on one side of the head until it made a firm foundation for that side of the hat, which had looked as if it were resting in midair with no support. On the other side she pulled by as if it were resting in midair with no sup-part. On the other side she pulled out another with, and that made the hat look symmetrical and very becoming. Before that time it seemed several sizes too small. After the hair had been made to fit the hat it was charming.

Woman Operates Excavating Machine

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat Miss Eura Graham is the operator of

largest excavating machine that ever entered largest excavating machine that ever entered St. Louis county. The digger is at work in Kirkwood, where the new sewer system is being installed, and attracts much attention on account of its speed in plowing a transh three feet wide and from ten to twenty feet deep through hard, rocky soil.

Miss Graham handles the guiding rod and brakes with skill, and the fact that she is probably the only woman operator of such a machine does not seem to affect her in the least. She appears perfectly at home on the engine, and, as her position is out of reach of all the greasy mechanism, she never shows traces of engine work.